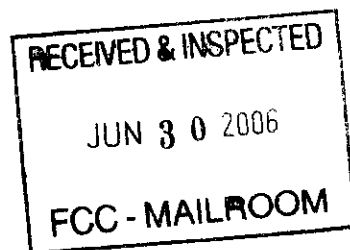


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CC Docket No. 02-6 & 96-45

Re: Request for Review
Request for Waiver/ Waiver Request

Applicant:
Regional School District 18
Contact Person: John Rhodes
4 Davis Road West
Old Lyme, CT 06371

Application Numbers: 526611, 526727 & 526324

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached please find copies of three 'Letters of Appeal' to USAC: Schools and Libraries Division sent on June 5, 2006 and confirmed received on June 7, 2006.

Regional School District 18 has not received a decision from USAC and would like to forward an appeal to the FCC for review and hopefully a decision to award funding in support of education.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Respectfully,

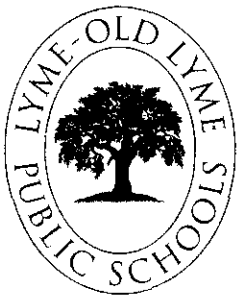
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Letter of Appeal
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P.O. Box 902
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Applicant:
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BEN: 122429
Service Provider: AT&T
SPIN: 143001305

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Denial Explanation: 'No contract in place when Form 471 certification was filed.'

Basis of Appeal Request:

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4. We request this appeal be considered based on the importance of delivering these educational technology services and our efforts and intentions to satisfy all requirements VS. on a one day contract administration error caused by our being unaware of the two party signing requirement.

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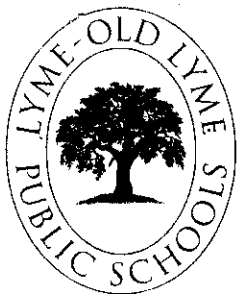
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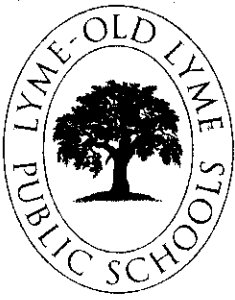
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